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- 1. WE PRESUME YOU ARE AWARE OF THE POTENTIAL PROBLEM POSED BY WOLFF'S REMARKS ON REPORTED VIETNAMESE USE OF CAPTURED U.S. ARMS AND HIS FEELING THAT WE SHOULD SEEK AN SRV ASSURANCE AGAINST THIS AS A PRECONDITION FOR TALKS. NHAN DAN HAS ALREADY PICKED HIM UP ON THIS AND DO THANH IN PARIS HAS ASKED PRATT ABOUT IT. IF ASKED, DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN WILL REITERATE TODAY OUR POSITION THAT WE HAVE AGREED TO TALKS WITHOUT PRECONDITIONS AND WILL MEET ON MAY 3 AS ALREADY ANNOUNCED.
- 2. THIS WILL ALSO BE OF INTEREST TO PRESS ON WOLFF'S AND YOUR ARRIVAL AT ANDREWS. ANYTHING YOU CAN DO TO CONFIDENTIAL

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